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PATENT APPLICATION

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
: Examiner: L. Nguyen
HIROYUKI INOUE, et al.)
: Group Art Unit: 2853
Application No.: 08/796,519)
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Filed: February 7, 1997)
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For: INK CONTAINER FOR INK)
JET PRINTING HOLDER)
FOR THE CONTAINER,)
CARRIAGE FOR THE)
HOLDER AND INK JET)
PRINTER : November 19, 2004

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

STATUS REQUEST

Sir:

It has been over six months since Applicants filed a Request For Continued Examination to obtain consideration of newly-discovered art. To date, Applicants have yet to receive an Office Action on the merits.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the USPTO advise on the status of the subject application, and issue an action on the merits as soon as possible.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa,
California office at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to
our below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael K. O'Neill", written over a horizontal line.

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